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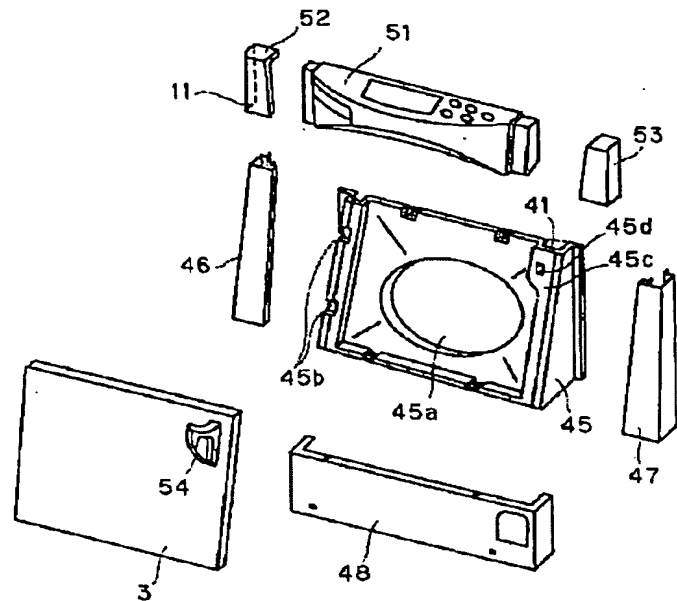
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TITLE : DRUM TYPE WASHING MACHINE



**ABSTRACT :** PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a drum type washing machine for improving working efficiency when reducing costs, maintaining the machine, or using it.

**SOLUTION:** In the drum type washing machine that is covered with an outer box 1 while a washing-throwing port 45a is opened at a front, an opening/ closing door 3 for opening or closing the washing-throwing port 45a is pivoted, and also a central panel 45 where the washing-throwing port 45a is formed, side panels 46 and 47 that are arranged at both the sides of the central panel 45, and a lower panel 48 that is arranged at the lower portion of the central panel 45 are divided and arranged at the front of the outer box 1.

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